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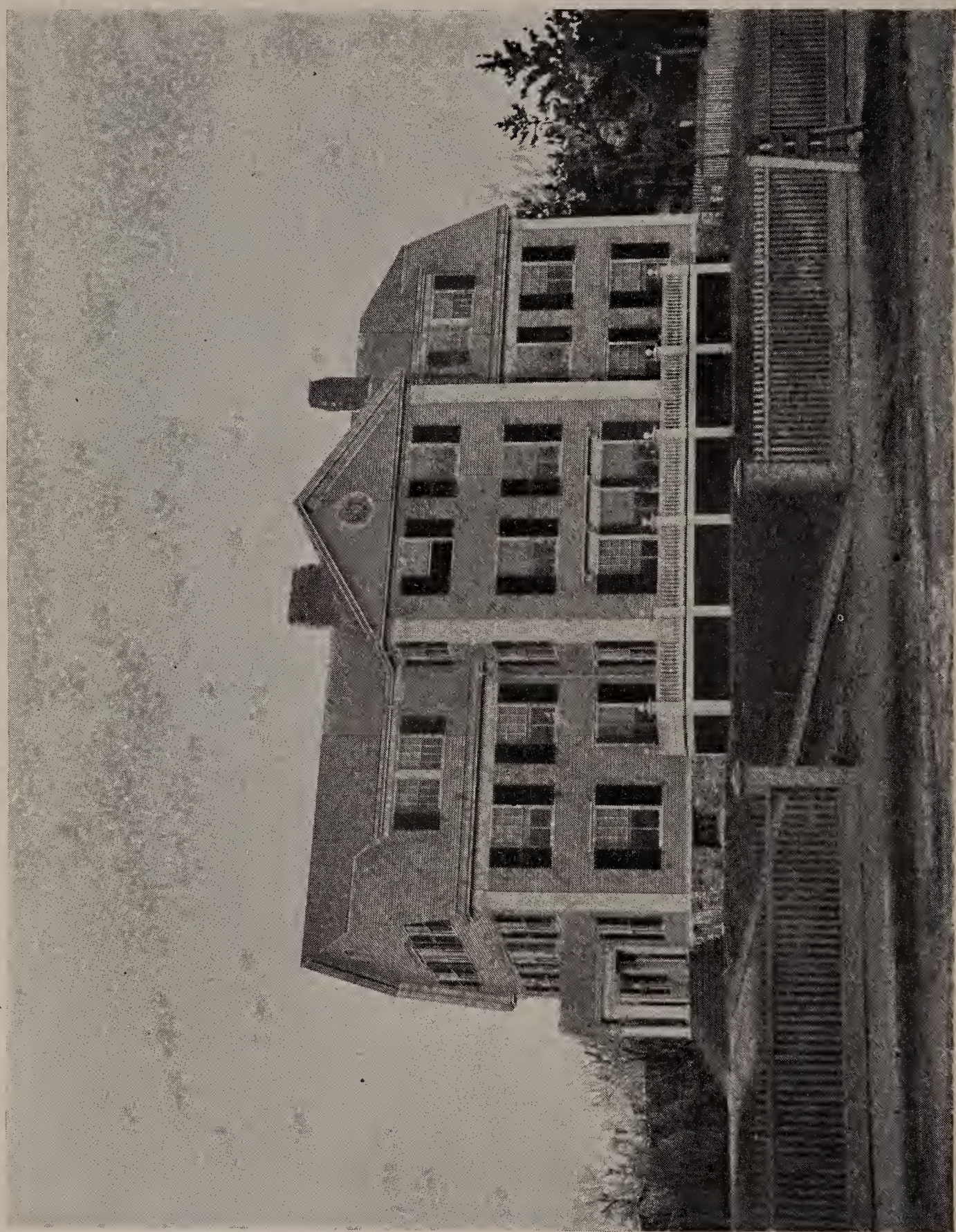
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And the monthly visitors.

Assignment of Monthly Visitors, 1908-1909.

Dec. 1. MRS. FOLSOM.	Dec. 15. MISS MCCALLAR.
Jan. 1. MRS. REED.	Jan. 15. MRS. BELL.
Feb. 1. MRS. DURANT.	Feb. 15. MRS. EARLE.
March 1. MRS. GOODRIDGE.	March 15. MRS. BENNETT.
April 1. MRS. STEBBINS.	April 15. MISS CHAMBERLIN.
May 1. MRS. SHEFFIELD.	May 15. MRS. BELL.
June 1. MRS. BROOKS.	June 15. MRS. SHEFFIELD.
July 1. MRS. DURANT.	July 15. MISS MCCALLAR.
Aug. 1. MRS. STEBBINS.	Aug. 15. MISS CHAMBERLIN.
Sept. 1. MRS. FOLSOM.	Sept. 15. MRS. EARLE.
Oct. 1. MRS. GOODRIDGE.	Oct. 15. MRS. BENNETT.
Nov. 1. MRS. BROOKS.	Nov. 15. MRS. REED.

Regular meetings of the Trustees are held at the Home on the second Friday in each month.

THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE TRUSTEES OF
THE AVON HOME.

THE AVON HOME has been fortunate this year in being able to retain the services of all the Board of Trustees, as well as of the efficient matron and assistant matron; Mrs. Willard Reed was elected a trustee in December, to succeed Mrs. R. B. Storer. The Home has also been fortunate in having no extensive or serious illness among the children during the year ending October 31, 1908.

There have been forty children in the Home since the end of September; this is the first time in several years that all the beds have been occupied for more than a few nights at a time; the average number of children during the year has been thirty-seven. Sixteen children have been admitted and fourteen have been discharged; most of those who have left have returned as usual to the care of relatives; one, an orphan, has gone to live in a family where she will probably be adopted, and one has been transferred to the School for the Feeble Minded at Waverley. Eleven children are now living in families under the supervision of the Children's Aid Society, their board and other expenses being met, wholly or in part, by the Home, and the reports regarding their progress are quite satisfactory. The number of applications has been far in excess of the capacity of the house, and the trustees wish

to acknowledge with gratitude the assistance of the Associated Charities of Cambridge in investigating applications, giving advice, and making other arrangements for the care of those who could not be admitted.

The trustees have had under consideration the employment of a paid visitor who should do all the work now attended to by the visitors of the Associated Charities and the Children's Aid Society; namely, to investigate all applications and make recommendations as to admitting children, to find suitable homes in families for those who cannot return to their relatives on leaving the Home and visit them when so placed, and also to see that proper aid is provided for the children who cannot be admitted, and to have supervision over those who have been discharged. This enlargement of the boarding-out plan the trustees believe to be so desirable that only the lack of money has delayed the undertaking, and they hope to report next year that it has been started successfully.

A year ago a new floor was necessary for the front piazza and this brought up the question of enlarging the piazza and building a balcony on the south side of the day nursery. Although the expense was great both improvements were made; now the babies can sleep out of doors on the new balcony and the older children have a large dry place to play in muddy weather, and both these piazzas are well protected by awnings from the extreme heat in summer. The appearance of the house from the street is greatly improved and the change has been highly commended by many persons; next year's report will contain a new picture of the Home showing these alterations. The cost of these piazzas—nearly nine hundred dollars—

and of some necessary changes in the plumbing the trustees decided to meet from the income for current expenses, and hence all the funds available this year have been quite exhausted.

The annual May Sale was held at the Home and yielded one thousand fifty dollars. The First Church Unitarian furnished a Christmas Tree for the children; they enjoyed several excursions during the summer, and had an outing at the home of Mrs. C. F. Goodridge. For the Permanent Fund a gift of one thousand dollars has been received from Mr. Morrill Wyman, also a legacy of five hundred dollars from Alvin Hayes, a legacy of twenty-five hundred dollars from Mrs. Emmeline J. Smith, a legacy of eight thousand dollars from Edward Gerrish, and one-third of the residue of the estate of Jacob Remick, amounting to sixteen thousand five hundred thirty-eight dollars.

The cost of clothing has increased this year because the gifts of garments and other articles for the children's use have not been so numerous as usual; with forty children to clothe, the number of dresses, aprons, suits, coats, stockings and undergarments required is very large, and the trustees beg to remind their friends how necessary and acceptable are such gifts. If this work is to be enlarged, as the trustees hope and as the conditions of the city demand, the need for generosity remains as great as ever, and the trustees are confident that when this is known the call for help for little children will be heard and answered.

For the Trustees,

WILLIAM TAGGARD PIPER, *President.*

PERMANENT FUND OF THE AVON HOME.

Cambridge Horticultural Society Trust Fund	\$531.19
Legacy of Mrs. Lucy C. Tyler	200.00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary H. Flagg	10,000.00
Holly Tree	4,000.00
Mary Cheever Chandler Memorial Fund	150.00
Donation from Daniel H. Richards	100.00
T. B. Mackay Fund	1,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Clarissa H. Rindge	2,500.00
Legacy of Mrs. Anna M. Woodman	5,000.00
Gracie A. Smith Memorial Fund	500.00
Mary E. Piper Fund	500.00
Donation from a Friend	2,000.00
Legacy of Moses Wildes, 2d	2,000.00
Elizabeth H. Foxcroft Memorial Fund	303.82
Helen L. Edmands Memorial Fund	1,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Caroline A. Wood	2,500.00
Legacy of Miss Mary E. Reed	172.13
Legacy of Mrs. Eliza P. Wilson	500.00
Legacy of Mrs. Emily A. Burleigh	500.00
Donation from Francis C. Foster	1,000.00
Legacy of Henry R. Glover	1,000.00
Legacy of Samuel Longfellow	500.00
Legacy of Jonathan W. Bemis	500.00
Legacy of Mrs. S. E. W. Brackett	5,000.00
Legacy of Miss Harriet A. Hayes	50.00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary E. Waitt	250.00
Legacy of James Mellen	1,000.00
John W. and Belinda L. Randall Fund	1,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Harriet N. S. Fay	1,000.00
Legacy of Miss Hannah E. Moore	100.00
Legacy of Charles W. Oxford	500.00
Legacy of Miss Susie M. Ransom	18,020.00
Donation from Mrs. Lucy C. Bemis	250.00
Philip Rogers Bennett Memorial Fund	500.00
Frances Mary Mackay Fund	15,000.00
Legacy of Oliver H. Durrell	1,000.00
Legacy of Miss Lydia M. Palmer	2,000.00
"In Memory of Mother and Girard"	100.00
Legacy of Mrs. Julia A. Harding	20,000.00
Legacy of Epes Sargent Dixwell	5,000.00
Legacy of Isaac W. Danforth	5,000.00
Sale of Concord Farm, the gift of James Huntington	7,125.00
Legacy of Mrs. Fanny B. Lane	1,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary Longfellow Greenleaf	4,000.00

Legacy of Mrs. Lucia M. Goodnow	\$500.00
Lucy E. Paine Fund	10,000.00
Henrietta Parker Whitney Davis Fund	2,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary Grant Fisk	2,500.00
In Memory of Mrs. Caroline P. Bulfinch	50.00
Legacy of Miss Jane Chapman	200.00
Legacy of A. R. Dearborn	658.00
Legacy of James A. Woolson	3,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Helen Augusta Porter	50.00
Legacy of Mrs. Ellen C. Goodwin	100.00
Donation from Morrill Wyman	1,200.00
Legacy of Alvin Hayes	500.00
Legacy of Mrs. Emmeline J. Smith	2,500.00
Legacy of Edward Gerrish	8,000.00
Legacy of Jacob Remick	16,538.08
	<u>\$172,148.22</u>

Dr.

THE TREASURER, in Account with THE AVON HOME.

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THE AVON HOME.

1907, Nov. 1.		1908, Nov. 1.
Balance cash on hand from old account		\$1,062.06
To Cash from year ending November 1, 1908:—		
One-half free will offering received at Union		
Thanksgiving Collection in Pilgrim Church	\$7.75	
Proceeds of Sale at 49 Linnaean Street by Avon		
Club	246.97	
Collection at St. John's Memorial Chapel	68.33	
University Press	10.00	
No Name Sewing Club	10.00	
Christ Church Sunday School	10.00	
The Hive	10.00	
Collection in First Parish Sunday School	7.01	
First Baptist Church	5.00	
Individual Donations	266.00	
Annual Subscriptions	589.00	
Board	578.78	
May Sale	1,050.20	
General Income	6,562.82	
Donation from Morrill Wyman	1,000.00	
Legacy of Alvin Hayes	500.00	
Legacy of Mrs. Emmeline J. Smith	2,500.00	
Legacy of Edward Gerrish	8,000.00	
Legacy of Jacob Remick	16,538.08	
		<u>\$37,959.94</u>
		\$39,022.00
By Cash paid for Expenses of the Home:—		
Salary of Matron and Employees		\$3,406.23
Provisions and Groceries		2,263.50
Fuel, Gas, and Water		563.58
Boots, Clothing, and Dry Goods		573.14
Furniture and House Utensils		78.33
Improvements and Repairs		1,030.32
Board and Supervision		998.44
Insurance		110.25
Sundries		805.43
		<u>\$9,829.22</u>
Paid Committee on Permanent Fund		28,334.26
The Balance is apportioned as follows:—		
Cash held for Permanent Fund		\$203.82
Cash held for Avon Club Fund		334.08
Cash held for Emergency Fund		320.62
		<u>858.52</u>
		\$39,022.00
MARY A. ELLIS, Treasurer.		

CAMBRIDGE, November 10, 1908.

This is to certify that we have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Avon Home for the year ending November 1, 1908, and have found them correct, with vouchers for all payments.

SANFORD B. HUBBARD, }
WM. W. DALLINGER, } Auditors.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

For the year ending November 1, 1908.

Mrs. G. W. Abbot \$5.00	Mrs. R. T. Howes \$1.00
Mrs. D. G. Alden 1.00	R. J. Hudson 1.00
Mrs. A. F. Amee 1.00	Mrs. G. P. Johnson 2.00
Mrs. John Amee 2.00	B. M. Jones 5.00
Mrs. J. B. Ames 5.00	Mrs. W. B. Lambert 5.00
Mrs. M. C. Bacon 25.00	Miss Annie Moore 1.00
Miss M. J. Bacon 2.00	Mrs. E. C. Moore 2.00
Mrs. G. W. Beaman 2.00	Miss V. M. Morse 5.00
Mrs. A. D. S. Bell 2.00	Miss Maria Murdock 10.00
Miss Edith Bradford 2.00	Mrs. N. C. Nash 5.00
Mrs. S. E. Buck 2.00	Mrs. W. H. Neal 2.00
Miss E. S. Bulfinch 2.00	Mrs. G. W. C. Noble 5.00
Mrs. Lucien Carr 5.00	Mrs. Frederic Odiorne 1.00
Miss L. M. Chamberlin 2.00	Mrs. E. M. Parker 10.00
Miss J. E. C. Chapman 1.00	Mrs. F. G. Peabody 10.00
Miss Margaret Cogswell 5.00	Mrs. Franklin Perrin 2.00
Mrs. G. W. Colburn 2.00	Miss F. W. Pike 1.00
Mrs. William Cook 3.00	Mrs. W. T. Piper 5.00
Mrs. L. F. Cornelius 1.00	Mr. and Mrs. John Read 5.00
Miss Louise Dallinger 1.00	William Read 4.00
A. McF. Davis 50.00	Mrs. W. M. Richardson 5.00
W. M. Davis 10.00	Mrs. G. B. Roberts 5.00
Mrs. A. L. Devens 5.00	Denman W. Ross 20.00
Mrs. M. W. Dewey 1.00	Miss C. H. Saunders 2.00
Miss A. A. Douglass 5.00	Mrs. Albert Sauveur 5.00
Mrs. Robert Douglass 5.00	Mrs. H. M. Saville 3.00
Mrs. W. B. Durant 5.00	Miss M. T. Sedgwick 5.00
Mrs. C. W. Eliot 5.00	Mrs. George Sheffield 5.00
Mrs. E. R. Ellis 2.00	Miss E. R. Simmons 3.00
Mrs. F. I. Eustis 5.00	Mrs. Chauncey Smith 5.00
Mrs. G. R. Farrell 1.00	R. L. Snow 5.00
Mrs. Norton Folsom 2.00	Mrs. A. F. Sortwell 5.00
Mrs. F. C. Foster 10.00	Mrs. I. M. Spelman 10.00
Mrs. Jabez Fox 5.00	Miss Storer 10.00
Mrs. F. B. Gilman 2.00	Misses E. W. and H. L. Storer 10.00
Miss A. M. Goodwin 5.00	Mrs. S. H. Swan 10.00
Mrs. Asa Gray 10.00	Miss C. A. Taggard 5.00
Miss Frances Gray 1.00	Mrs. J. B. Thayer 3.00
Mrs. C. F. Goodridge 5.00	Mrs. H. N. Tilton 1.00
Miss Elizabeth Harris 1.00	Miss L. N. Toppan 5.00
Miss C. A. Hedge 5.00	Mrs. R. N. Toppan 5.00
Mrs. J. L. Hildreth 2.00	Benjamin Vaughan 30.00
Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Hildreth . 25.00	F. W. Vaughan 5.00
Mrs. W. L. Hooper 5.00	Mrs. A. J. Wallace 2.00
Mrs. A. A. Howard 2.00	Mrs. A. C. Wellington 2.00
Mrs. Estes Howe 5.00	Mrs. J. A. Wellington 5.00
Miss K. McP. Howe 5.00	C. J. White 20.00
Mrs. M. G. Howe 5.00	Miss Maria Whitney 5.00

Mrs. W. P. Wiggin \$5.00	Dr. Walter Woodman \$5.00
Mrs. Davies Wilson 1.00	Mrs. Walter Woodman 5.00
Miss Mary Woodman 25.00	Mrs. T. F. Wright 10.00

INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS.

Miss Anne W. Abbot . . . \$10.00	W. B. Piper \$1.00
Miss E. J. Campbell 5.00	Mrs. M. E. Seemuller 10.00
C. T. Carruth 50.00	Miss Ellen M. Sawyer 25.00
Dr. and Mrs. W. G. Farlow . . 10.00	Mrs. J. G. Thorp 10.00
In memory of M. L. G. 1.00	Mrs. B. Vaughan 4.00
T. B. Gannett 50.00	In memory of Mrs. Henry
Miss Katherine Horsford . . . 10.00	Westcott 5.00
Miss Maria Murdock 10.00	Mrs. Davies Wilson 4.00
Miss Fannie A. Osgood 1.00	Morrill Wyman 10.00
Misses Peabody 50.00	

Donations of money can be sent to any of the Trustees, or to the Treasurer, Miss MARY A. ELLIS, 8 Roseland Street, Cambridge.

FORM FOR LEGACY.

I give and bequeath to THE AVON HOME, of Cambridge, Massachusetts, the sum of _____ Dollars,
to be used for the general purposes of the Corporation.

MISCELLANEOUS DONATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING
NOVEMBER 1, 1908.

November, 1907.

Margaret Shepard Society, First Cong. Church, four rugs for Sunshine Room.
The Misses Wyeth, one bbl. apples.
Mrs. Jackson, one-half bbl. apples.
Shepard Memorial Church, basket of figs, box of candy, bag of fruit.
The Misses Parsons, oak trees for lawn.
Mrs. W. M. Richardson, four pairs shoes, one stocking cap, one pair tights, a basket of fruit.
Mrs. R. N. Toppan, a turkey.
Mrs. J. Q. Bennett, a turkey, celery, candy, squash.
Mrs. C. F. Goodridge, two boxes of candy.
Mrs. A. M. Howe, a large Thanksgiving cake, two loaves of bread.
Mrs. Edward Channing, mittens and hose.
The Club, three blouses, one dress, two skirts, two wrappers, an infant's sack.
Boston Branch of the Needlework Guild, eight pairs hose, three union suits, four night shirts, five outing-flannel skirts, two dresses, two pairs shoes, two stocking caps, two undervests, two pairs underdrawers, two pairs leggings, four pairs gloves, four handkerchiefs.

December.

Mrs. David Kimball, for The Bee, six outing-flannel nightgowns.
Sewing Club, Limited, three outing-flannel nightgowns.
Parker K. Ellis, two books.

Mrs. Gordon Woodbury, a box of clothing.
Shepard Memorial Society, six'gingham aprons.
Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Howe, Christmas cake and bread.
Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bright, four boxes of candy.
Brooks Curry, two books.
A. H. Hubbard, box of toys.
Prof. and Mrs. W. M. Davis, box of oranges.
Allen, Frieda, and Elinor Whitman, box of toys.
Conant & Stockwell, two turkeys.
Phyllis Thomas and Friends, bags of candy.
Mrs. W. B. Durant, box of candy.
Margaret Shepard Society, Congregational Church, bags of candy.
Miss Madaline Fraser, seven dolls, two pairs mittens.
Mrs. W. H. Neal, flowers.
Mr. J. H. Wyeth, nuts, raisins, oranges, figs, bananas.
Mrs. Fallon, box of figs.
Miss Sheffield, cakes and toys.
Mrs. C. T. Carruth, six boxes of candy.
Mrs. Parker Soule, four boxes of candy.
First Parish Church, Unitarian, Christmas tree.
Mrs. E. A. Russell, decorations for the Christmas tree.
Mrs. F. E. Sands, five pairs shoes, five cotton suits, four coats.
Mr. W. T. Piper, \$5.00 for Christmas toys.
Miss Maria Murdock, a nickel for each child's stocking.

January, 1908.

Miss Maria Murdock, two potted plants.
 Mrs. F. W. Lovell, package of books.
 The Club, two skirts, three aprons.
 Mrs. David Kimball, for The Bee, three pairs outing-flannel night drawers.
 Mrs. Samuel Noyes, box of pieces for lining coats.
 Mrs. E. B. Koehler, box of books.
 Boston Suburban Book Co., Cambridge Blue Book.
 The Club, three aprons, two outing-flannel skirts.
 The Hive, one blouse, two aprons, four bibs, six pairs drawers, an outing-flannel nightgown.
 Mrs. A. M. Howe, bbl. of apples.
 The Bee, two pairs night drawers.
 Mr. Morrill Wyman, one half bbl. apples.

February.

The Guild, six wrappers.
 Erford Kemp, toys.
 The Sewing Club, Limited, six flannel nightgowns, two aprons.
 Ladies Aid Society, Church of the New Jerusalem, two doz. waists.
 The Club, four aprons, one blouse, one afghan.
 The Children's Star League, Washington, D. C., six months' subscription to magazine.
 The Basket Club, one baby's night-dress, one large apron.
 Mrs. John Thacher, flowers.
 Mrs. David Kimball, for The Bee, three outing-flannel night drawers.
 The Hive, one doz. outing-flannel night drawers.
 Mrs. N. F. Lincoln, eight cotton nightgowns.
 Mr. Morrill Wyman, one bbl. apples.
 The Basket Club, one apron, one nightgown, four gingham tires.
 Mrs. A. D. S. Bell, flowers.

Parker F. Soule, valentines.
 Mrs. F. H. Jackson, two tickets for a children's musicale.
 Mrs. H. R. Plimpton, three pairs baby's stockings.
 Mr. G. H. Kent, valentines.
 Mr. Morrill Wyman, bbl. apples.
 Miss Lottie Whitney, magazines.
 Daughters of Temperance, twelve gingham aprons.
 Dr. J. L. Hildreth, roller for making bandages.
 Miss Mary C. Livermore, hemming four and one-half doz. towels.
 Miss M. Helen Ellis, boy's coat.
 No Name Club, nine outing-flannel blouses.
 Mrs. C. F. Goodridge, dress, two flannel skirts, pair gloves, one doz. balls.

March.

Miss Sally Howe, five gingham aprons.
 Mr. Morrill Wyman, one and a half bbl. apples.
 Ladies Aid Society, North Avenue Baptist Church, one doz. aprons.
 Mrs. E. R. Williams, box of children's clothing.
 The Threadneedle Club visited the Home in March and devoted the afternoon to making waists for the children.

April.

Sewing Club, Limited, two nightgowns, three aprons.
 The Bee, six outing-flannel skirts, three dresses.
 Miss M. Helen Ellis, two pairs shoes, two pairs slippers.
 Mrs. W. B. Loughton, box of children's clothing.
 No Name Club, eight blouses and pieces.
 Miss W. E. Rand, doll carriage and trunk.

Mrs. L. B. Chandler, for Thread-
needle Club, box of oranges.
The Club, five pairs drawers, two
blouses, four aprons.
Mrs. William Moses, flowers.
Mr. Morrill Wyman, one bu. apples.
Mrs. C. B. Gulick, fifteen tickets to
a song recital.
Mrs. Krebs, flowers.
Mrs. N. F. Lincoln, six waists.
Christ Church Table, May Sale, two
skirts, four pairs drawers, one
night-dress.
Mrs. R. D. Gardner, two dresses.
The Hive, five aprons, one dress,
three bibs.
Miss M. R. Peabody, eight pairs
drawers, three aprons, two dresses.

May.

Mr. J. D. Billings, rocking horse,
games, toys, box of clothing.
Mr. J. Burnett, lilacs.

June.

Miss S. Willard, box of toys, small
bureau.
Mrs. Julia Hill, candy.
Mrs. G. W. Beaman, box of picture
cards.
Mrs. Fred Jouett, four boy's white
cotton suits, two white cotton
blouses, six pairs hose, three
colored cotton suits, one white
serge suit.
Mr. W. H. Dudley, six boy's cotton
suits, one pair cotton drawers,
three pairs hose, one pair shoes.
Mrs. G. W. C. Noble, two outing
skirts, one pair cotton drawers,
three pairs pajamas.
Sewing Club, Limited, five night-
gowns, seven aprons.
Miss Warland, magazines.
Mrs. Osgood, roses.

Mrs. Walter Woodman, four night-
gowns, two pairs shoes, five new
undervests, one waist, one cotton
dress, one comforter.

July.

The Sun Club, four dress skirts,
three aprons.
No Name Club, five outing-flannel
blouses.
Mrs. George Nolan, rocking horse.
Mrs. Mason Henry, picture books.
Mr. Samuel Merrill, flowers.

August.

Elizabeth Bright, box of shells.
Mr. Morrill Wyman, tomatoes and
summer squash.
Mrs. S. B. Hambley, magazines.
Mrs. Badger, three gingham dresses.

September.

Mrs. J. C. Scorgie, one bu. pears.
Mrs. W. E. Castle, tomatoes.
Mrs. W. G. Cutter, pears.
Mrs. C. B. Swift, box of clothing.

October.

Mrs. A. D. S. Bell, pears.
Mrs. Norton Folsom, pears.
The Club, two aprons.
Miss M. C. Wyman, bbl. apples.
Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Howe, bbl. apples.
Mrs. A. V. G. Allen, box of shells,
pictures.
Mrs. E. B. Koehler, bathrobe, books.
Mrs. W. H. Hill, two coats, three
caps, one girl's hat.
The Hive, eight pairs cotton
drawers, three bibs.
Miss M. Helen Ellis, two caps, two
shields.
Mrs. C. F. Goodridge, one-half doz.
spoons.

Donations of outer garments and clothing, especially for boys, are earnestly solicited. If donors to the Home would send with their gifts their full name and address, it would greatly assist the clerk in making out the list of donations. It sometimes happens that difficulty in getting the name causes errors and omissions in the list.

BY-LAWS OF THE AVON HOME

ARTICLE I.

Name. — The name of this Corporation shall be "THE AVON HOME." Its object shall be to provide a Home for Children found destitute within the limits of Cambridge.

ARTICLE II.

Membership. — The members of this Corporation shall be twenty-three in number, to be called Trustees. Vacancies shall be caused by death, resignation, or by failure to attend for twelve consecutive months some meeting of the Corporation, without excuse satisfactory to the Trustees. When such failure occurs, the Trustees shall by vote record the fact, and declare the membership vacant. Vacancies shall be filled by the unanimous vote of the remaining Trustees. This article of the By-Laws shall not be altered, except by the unanimous vote of the Trustees.

ARTICLE III.

Officers. — The officers of the Corporation shall be a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Clerk, a Committee of Three for the care of the Permanent Fund (one of whom shall be the President), and two Auditors, to be chosen by ballot from the Trustees at the annual meeting, or at some adjournment thereof, and to hold office for one year, and until their successors are elected and qualified. They shall severally perform the customary duties of such officers; and the President, or a committee previously appointed for the purpose, and Treasurer shall

report at the annual meeting. The accounts of the Treasurer and of the Committee for the care of the Permanent Fund shall be audited at least once every year. The Trustees may, from time to time, appoint committees to aid in the transaction of business.

At the annual meeting the Trustees shall elect, to serve till the next annual meeting, a Board of Advisers, to consist of five or more persons, not Trustees, who may be called upon to consult and advise with the Trustees, and may be requested to meet with any of their committees or to assist in their work.

ARTICLE IV.

Meetings. — The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be held on the second Friday in November, at such place and hour as the President and Clerk may appoint. Regular meetings shall be held every month at some convenient place. Special meetings may be called by the President or any two Trustees, upon two days' notice, to be given by the Clerk. Eleven Trustees shall constitute a quorum at the annual meeting, and seven Trustees at any regular or special meeting.

ARTICLE V.

Seal. — The seal of the Corporation shall be circular in form, with the inscription, "THE AVON HOME, CAMBRIDGE, 1874," and shall be kept by the Clerk.

ARTICLE VI.

Amendments. — These By-Laws, with the exception of Article II., may be amended by a majority vote of all the Trustees at any annual meeting, or by the unanimous vote of the Trustees at any regular or special meeting, provided that a notice of the proposed amendment has been inserted in the call for such meeting.

RULES OF THE AVON HOME.

I. In admitting destitute children to the Home, preference shall be given in the following order: *First*, to orphans and foundlings; *Secondly*, to those whose parents or guardians surrender them to the Corporation for the purpose of adoption, or during minority; and *Thirdly*, to those not so surrendered.

Boys over seven and girls over twelve years of age shall not be admitted to the Home; and, in general, boys over nine and girls over thirteen shall not remain at the Home.

Any child admitted to the Home temporarily, without the parent or guardian giving up the child to the Corporation, in writing, for the purpose of adoption or during minority, shall be admitted for a definite time only; and at the end of that time, if the same reasons continue to exist, the Trustees may readmit the child for a further definite time, unless the child is given up as above stated.

II. Except in cases of urgent necessity, no child shall be admitted to the Home without the consent, in writing, of two members of the Committee on Admission, or should there not be two members in the city, of any three Trustees, and a certificate of examination from the Visiting Physician. Each child shall be admitted to the Home for three months on probation; this period may be extended three months longer at the discretion of the Committee on Admission. Each case, accompanied by a full statement of the circumstances, shall be reported to the Corporation at its next regular meeting, and at the end of the period of probation the Corporation shall decide whether or not to admit the child for a definite time.

III. Every child must be vaccinated before entering the Home, unless specially excused by the Committee on Admission.

IV. No visit of a longer period than a day, or over night, to friends or relatives shall be allowed unless under distinctly favorable conditions, approved by one member of the Committee on Admission and the Matron, and reported in writing to the Trustees at their next meeting.

V. All the children shall attend the same Protestant church and Sunday School, unless specially excused by vote of the Corporation.

VI. In case of death, no child shall be taken from the Home for burial without a religious service being held at the Home, except with the consent of one of the Committee on Admission, who fully understands the reasons for removal.

VII. The parents and relatives of the children shall be admitted to the Home on the first Sunday and third Thursday of each month, from 3 to 5 P. M., and at no other times, except by a special written permit from one of the Trustees. The nursery and playroom only shall be open to the parents and relatives of the children, except in cases of sickness.

Others interested in the Home will be welcome at any time.

VIII. The Matron shall have full authority in the Home, subject only to these rules and the votes of the Corporation and of the Executive Committee. She shall attend the meetings of the Committees on Adoption and Discharge, on Provisions and House Supplies, and on Clothing.

The Matron shall keep a journal of daily happenings and from it make a short written report for the regular meeting of the Corporation, mentioning such exceptional matters as should be made known to the Corporation.

The Matron and Assistant Matron shall not be absent from the Home at the same time, unless by special consent of the Monthly Visitor.

Information regarding children who are or have been in the Avon Home, or regarding their relatives or friends, shall not be given by the Matron or employees to any one except a Trustee, and any request for such information shall be referred to one of the officers of the Corporation.

IX. At the annual meeting, or as soon thereafter as possible, the President shall appoint the Monthly Visitors for the ensuing year, arranged in two lists, those on one list to begin visiting on the first of each month, and those on the other list to begin on the fifteenth, each to visit the Home one month. It shall be the duty of the Visitors, during their term, to visit the Home at least twice a week, and at various hours of the day, some of these visits to be on the visiting days for parents; to examine all parts of the house and to report in writing at the regular meeting, stating the number of children at the Home and the changes that have occurred since the last meeting, and making any suggestions and criticisms regarding the management of the Home that should be brought to the attention of the Trustees.

X. The Standing Committees of the Corporation, to be appointed by the President at the annual meeting, shall be as follows: —

1. A Committee on Admission, who, in addition to the duties mentioned above, shall keep a register containing the names, ages, and birthplaces of the children, date of admission, and any other information obtained.

2. A Committee on Adoption and Discharge, who shall be thoroughly acquainted with the case of every child placed in the Home, and shall, so far as possible, secure permanent homes elsewhere for those given up to the Corporation. They shall also continue to have an oversight of all children who have left the Home, but have not returned to their parents or immediate relatives.

3. A Committee on Clothing, who shall have entire charge of all clothing that goes into the Home, and shall attend to all cutting done there. Every gift of clothing of any kind, if sent first to the Home, must be laid aside by the Matron, and not used till examined by one of the committee. Every gift of goods or money for clothing is to go to the chairman of the committee.

4. A Committee on Provisions and House Supplies, who shall have entire charge of that department.

5. A Committee on Repairs, who shall attend promptly to all necessary repairs, when the amount to be expended does not

exceed fifty dollars; an amount exceeding that sum must not be expended without previously obtaining the consent of the Corporation.

6. An Executive Committee, who shall have, in the interval between the meetings of the Corporation, all the powers of the Trustees, except as to the expenditure of sums exceeding fifty dollars. This Committee shall report any exercise of its powers at the next meeting of the Corporation for its approval.

The chairman of each committee shall present at the annual meeting a full report, in writing, of the work of the committee for the preceding year.

XI. All bills shall receive the written approval of the committee or person authorized to make the expenditure before payment by the Treasurer.

XII. The Committee of Three for the care of the Permanent Fund shall have the care and custody of all securities and other investments held for the support and maintenance of the Avon Home, and shall collect the interest and other income and pay the same to the Treasurer, who shall receipt therefor. They shall make all permanent investments, keep an account thereof and of the income therefrom, and report to the Corporation at the annual meeting, and such other times as the Corporation may request. They shall rent a box in the vaults of the Cambridge Trust Company, which shall be opened only in the presence of two members of the said Committee.

